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NSTec AWARDS \$10,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO NORTHERN NEW MEXICO STUDENTS

Las Vegas, Nevada—Two outstanding Northern New Mexico high school students have been awarded scholarships by National Security Technologies, LLC (NSTec), to encourage their interest in science and engineering. This year's recipients of the NSTec Engineering and Science Scholarship are Joseph Encinias from Penasco High School and Nikola Draganic from Los Alamos High School. Both students plan to major in mechanical engineering in college. Both were honored at their schools awards nights in May.

The scholarship program, an extension of the NSTec education investment philosophy, was launched in 2006 and has provided more than 221 scholarships and more than \$1 million to high school seniors across the country planning an education in engineering and science. NSTec is the management and operating contractor for the Nevada National Security Site and its related facilities including the company's Los Alamos Operations, for the U.S. Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, Nevada Field Office.

"We created these scholarships to encourage the next generation of scientists and engineers who are essential for our national security mission," says NSTec President Jim Holt. "Several of our NSTec Engineering and Science Scholarship recipients also serve summer internships – our vision is that one day they may become our employees."

Scholarship recipients are given an opportunity to intern at NSTec after their first year of college.

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